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Maryland

Weekly Crop and Weather Report



August 20, 2007

Wet and cooler Temperatures

Scattered showers did little to alleviate drought during the week. Weekend showers and cooler weather will help some. **Corn** and **soybeans** are mostly in very poor to fair condition. **Potatoes** are above average with 81 percent harvested compared with 75 percent last year and 65 percent for the five-year average. Third cutting of **alfalfa hay** is 82 percent complete and a fourth cutting is 29 percent complete. There were **6.3 days suitable for field work**.

Apples were rated 1 percent very poor, 1 percent poor, 12 percent fair, 82 percent good and 4 percent excellent. **Apples** are 39 percent harvested and **Peaches** are 59 percent harvested.

Pasture was rated 30 percent very poor, 35 percent poor, 24 percent fair, 10 percent good, and 1 percent excellent while **hay supplies** were rated 26 percent very short, 47 percent short, 23 percent adequate, and 4 percent surplus.

MARYLAND'S CROP PROGRESS FOR WEEK ENDING AUGUST 19, 2007

Item		This Week	Last Week	Last Year	Five Year Average
Percent					
<u>Field Crops</u>					
Corn	Dough	85	79	84	71
	Dent	46	25	47	35
Soybeans	Blooming	79	73	83	77
	Setting Pods	65	59	72	57
<u>Hay</u>					
Alfalfa Hay	3 rd Cutting	82	77	81	74
	4 th Cutting	29	10	16	12
Other Hay	3 rd Cutting	35	20	34	39
<u>Vegetables Harvested</u>					
Cantaloups		74	69	76	71
Cucumbers		75	66	73	67
Lima Beans		42	36	75	49
Potatoes		81	76	75	65
Snap Beans		76	66	80	80
Sweet Corn		83	77	80	80
Tomatoes		54	48	67	61
Watermelons		73	55	65	61
<u>Fruits Harvested</u>					
Apples		39	34	37	24
Peaches		59	55	86	75

SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION FOR WEEK ENDING AUGUST 19, 2007

Condition by Percent	Topsoil Moisture			Subsoil Moisture		
	This Week	Last Week	Average 2001-2005	This Week	Last Week	Average 2001-2005
Very Short	34	42	-	50	49	-
Short	37	34	-	32	34	-
Adequate	29	24	-	18	17	-
Surplus	-	-	-	-	-	-

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WEATHER SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING AUGUST 19, 2007

	Precipitation ¹			Temperatures			
Weather Station	Total this week	Total Since Jan 1	Departure from Normal Since Jan 1	High	Low	Average	Departure from Normal
Maryland							
Baltimore/Washington Airport	0.21	20.77	-5.36	94	60	78	3
Frederick	0.17	23.57	-1.63	90	59	75	4
Frostburg	0.41	26.28	-5.17	85	52	69	2
Hagerstown	0.49	15.58	-9.25	89	59	75	3
Mechanicsville	0.48	20.17	-8.95	91	57	75	2
Patuxent River	0.05	18.63	-8.25	91	60	78	4
Ocean City	0.17	17.31	-12.03	94	59	78	3
Salisbury	0.24	19.55	-9.86	90	49	74	-2
Sharpsburg	0.38	20.80	-4.40	91	54	73	2
Stevensville	0.22	21.72	-5.44	90	61	78	3
Washington, DC (Reagan National)	0.15	18.20	-6.42	94	67	80	2
Delaware							
Dover	0.01	21.12	-7.03	93	61	78	3
Georgetown	2.19	20.35	-8.07	91	58	77	3
Wilmington	0.02	26.88	0.38	90	59	77	2

¹ Precipitation totals as of 7 A.M. on recorded date.
Weather Data is provided by the Agricultural Weather Information Service, Auburn, Alabama and is considered preliminary.